



City of Marietta

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Meeting Minutes PARKS, RECREATION AND TOURISM COMMITTEE

Michelle Cooper Kelly, Chairman
Stuart Fleming, Vice Chair
Anthony Coleman

Wednesday, May 27, 2015

Council Chamber

Immediately Following the Personnel and Insurance Committee

Presiding: Michelle Kelly Cooper
Present: Stuart Fleming and Anthony Coleman

Also Present:

R. Steve Tumlin, Mayor
Grif Chalfant, Council – Ward 2
Johnny Walker, Council – Ward 3
G. A. (Andy) Morris, Council – Ward 4
Philip M. Goldstein, Council – Ward 7
William F. Bruton, Jr., City Manager
Douglas R. Haynie, City Attorney
Stephanie Guy, City Clerk

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairperson Michelle Cooper Kelly called the meeting to order at 5:24 p.m.

MINUTES:

20150401 Regular Meeting - April 29, 2015

Review and approval of the April 29, 2015 regular meeting minutes.

A motion was made by Council member Fleming, seconded by Council member Coleman, that this matter be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Vote: 3 – 0 – 0 Approved

20150476 Special Meeting - May 14, 2015

Review and approval of the May 14, 2015 special meeting minutes.

No Vote Taken

BUSINESS:

20150464 PAL Report

PAL Report for May 2015.

Reported

20150471 2009 Parks Bond Updates

Progress report of projects funded by the 2009 Parks Bond.

Reported

20150364 FY2016 Tourism Grants

Presentation by the following tourism groups requesting consideration for a grant FY2016.

Discussion and recommendations regarding the submitted grants for the FY2016 budget year

Atlanta Lyric Theatre
Cobb Landmarks and Historical Society
Earl Smith Strand Theatre
Friends of Brown Park
Friends of Brumby Hall
The Georgia Ballet
Georgia Symphony Orchestra
Marietta/Cobb Museum of Art
Gone with the Wind Museum
Marietta Museum of History
Zion Baptist Church
The Branding Project
Marietta Fire Museum
Marietta Welcome Center

Council member Goldstein disclosed that he is an owner of and a general partner for the Herbert S. Goldstein Family Limited Partnership that owns the Earl Strand Theater at 115-119 North Park Square, Marietta GA. The tenant is Friends of the Strand, Inc. Council member Goldstein also owns the property occupied by and leased to Lyric Theater at West Anderson Street. Council member Goldstein abstains on and will not participate on allocation of funds to the above two (2) entities.

Council member Goldstein is or has been a member of: Friends of Brumby Hall, Inc., Cobb Landmarks and Historical Society, Inc., Marietta-Cobb Museum of Art, member or participant of Marietta Square Branding Project, Inc; and the Marietta Museum of History.

Council Goldstein's wife, Elise, is a volunteer in the Georgia Symphony Chorus, which is part of or under Georgia Symphony Orchestra.

Mayor Tumlin currently serves as a director of the Marietta Welcome Center and Visitors Bureau. He has served as a director, but is currently not serving, of the following organizations being considered for sponsorships: Marietta-Cobb Museum of Art; Marietta Museum of History, Inc.; and Friends of the Strand, Inc. Additionally, Mayor Tumlin has provided legal services to Friends of the Strand, Inc. and accounting services to Marietta Museum of History, Inc. Mayor Tumlin has been/is a Member of Brumby Hall, Inc. and Cobb Landmarks & Historical Society.

Council member Walker serves on the Friends of Brumby Hall Board.

Council member Goldstein stepped down from the dais prior to the discussion.

In depth discussion was held regarding the Tourism Grants. The grant requests were broken into the following separate motions:

A motion was made by Council member Coleman, seconded by Council member Fleming, to approve the grant amounts presented for each tourism organization listed under existing organization:

Atlanta Lyric Theatre - \$20,000

Cobb Landmarks and Historical Society - \$3,000

Earl Smith Strand Theatre - \$40,000

Gone with the Wind Museum - \$40,222

Zion Baptist Church - \$4,500

Friends of Brown Park - \$8,000

Friends of Brumby Hall - \$2,547

The Georgia Ballet - \$0

Georgia Symphony Orchestra - \$15,000

Marietta/Cobb Museum of Art - \$60,000

The motion carried by the following vote:

Vote: 3 - 0 - 0

Recommended for Council Agenda Non Consent

A motion was made by Council member Fleming, seconded by Council member Coleman, to approve the grant amounts presented for each tourism organization listed under new requests:

The Branding Project - \$43,000

Marietta Fire Museum - \$38,000

The motion carried by the following vote:

Vote: 3 - 0 - 0

Recommended for Council Agenda Non Consent

A motion was made by Council member Fleming, seconded by Council member Coleman, to approve the grant amounts presented for each tourism organization listed under additional requests:

Symphony on the Square - \$3,000

The motion carried by the following vote:

Vote: 3 - 0 - 0

Recommended for Council Agenda Non Consent

A motion was made by Council member Coleman, seconded by Council member Fleming, to approve the grant amounts presented for each tourism organization listed under Hotel/Motel Tax (8% tax):

Marietta Welcome Center - \$207,375

Lease of 18 Whitlock Ave - \$38,558

The motion carried by the following vote:

Vote: 3 - 0 - 0

Recommended for Council Agenda Non Consent

A motion was made by Council member Fleming, seconded by Council member Coleman, to approve the grant amounts presented for the Marietta Museum of History in the amount of \$115,000. The motion carried by the following vote:

Vote: 3 - 0 - 0

Recommended for Council Agenda Non Consent

20150473

Welcome Center Contract

Discussion regarding the Welcome Center contract and tourism funding.

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This matter was moved to the Council agenda non-consent, as the grant awards will be added once the amounts have been decided.

A motion was made by Council member Kelly, seconded by Council member Coleman, that this matter be Recommended for Council Agenda Non Consent. The motion carried by the following vote:

Vote: 3 – 0 – 0

Recommended for Council Agenda Non Consent

Council member Goldstein returned to the dais.

20150350 Special Event and “Parade” Permit Application Policies, Procedures and Fees

Discussion of the City's current policies, procedures and fees relative to applying for Special Events and “Parades”.

Discussion was held regarding the City's current policies, procedures and fees relative to applying for Special Events and “Parades”. Staff was asked to bring back information regarding city sanctioned / sponsored events.

There was general agreement to move forward with an additional \$500 registration fee for road races and an alternate road race route.

Discussed

20150351 Custer Park Recreation Center Final Fitness and Gym Open Play Pricing

Discussion of the pricing options for the operation of the Custer Park Recreation Center.

Motion to approve the Custer Park Recreation Center final pricing for fitness and gym open play. This was presented to Council as a revised option #1.

The motion was made by Council member Fleming, seconded by Council member Coleman, that this matter be Recommended for Approval – Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Vote: 3 – 0 – 0

Recommended for Council agenda Non Consent

20150469 Elizabeth Porter Recreation Center Operations

Motion authorizing the Elizabeth Porter Recreation Center to remain open until the opening of Marietta City Schools in August 2015.

Motion to allow the Elizabeth Porter Recreation Center open for "free play" until the end of July 2015.

The motion was made by Council member Coleman, seconded by Council member Fleming, that this matter be Recommended for Approval – Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Vote: 3 – 0 – 0

Recommended for Approval – Consent Agenda

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephanie Guy, City Clerk

Approved: _____